



## United States Department of the Interior



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<http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/lvfo.html>

### In Reply Refer to:

DOI-BLM-NV-S030-2007-0295-EA  
3809 NVSO300

Dear Interested Party:

On August 12, 2009 the Bureau of Land Management –Pahrump Field Office (BLM-PFO) issued a Decision Record (DR) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the implementation of the proposed action analyzed in the Reward Mine Project Environmental Analysis (EA).

On April 6, 2009 the BLM released the Reward Mine EA pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and all other applicable laws and regulations. The release of the EA also served to solicit public comment on the analysis for a 30 day period. A total of 90 responses were received by letter or e-mail. Seven individuals or agencies supplied comments that were responded to and documented in the Final EA. The comments resulted in minor changes to the EA.

The EA, DR, and FONSI are available online at the Southern Nevada District Office website at <http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/lvfo.html>. Hardcopies of the EA are available upon request at the BLM-Pahrump Field Office.

Final authorization of the Reward Project is contingent upon the proponent posting an approved reclamation bond, signing the mitigating measures and conditions of approval developed for the project, and attaining the necessary state and local permits.

In accordance with 43 CFR 3809.804, if you are adversely affected by this decision, you may request that the BLM State Director in Nevada review this decision. If you request State Director review, the request must be received in the BLM Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd. 89502, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, Nevada 89520-0006, no later than 30 calendar days after you receive this decision. A copy of the request must also be sent to this office. The request must be in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR 3809.805. If you request State Director review, this decision will remain in full force and effect while the State Director review is pending, unless a stay is granted by the State Director under 43 CFR 3809.808 (a).

If the Nevada State Director does not respond to your request for State Director review of this decision within 21 calendar days after the request was timely made, you should consider the request denied. If your request for State Director Review is declined or you wish to forego a

State Director review, this decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4 and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

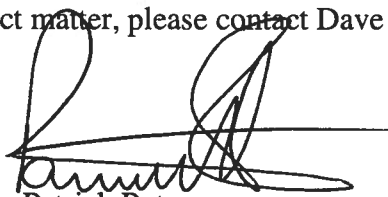
If you wish to file a petition pursuant to regulation 43 CFR 4.21 for a stay (suspension) of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay **must** also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor ( see 43 CFR 4.413 or Form 1842-1) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

#### Standards for Obtaining a Stay

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

Should you have any questions on this subject matter, please contact Dave Fanning, Project Lead, at (702) 515-5153.



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